

Abate

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Verb

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Meaning To reduce in intensity or amount

Example Sentence "The storm finally began to abate."

Mnemonic A-bait calms down the storm of hunger

Synonyms Diminish, Lessen

Antonyms Intensify, Amplify

Abbreviate

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Verb

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Meaning To shorten a word, phrase, or text

Example Sentence "'Dr.' is commonly used to abbreviate 'Doctor.'"

Mnemonic ABC gets abbreviated to just A

Synonyms Shorten, Condense

Antonyms Expand, Lengthen

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Aberrant

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Adjective

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Meaning	Deviating from the usual or natural type
Example Sentence	"His aberrant behavior raised concerns."
Mnemonic	A bear ant? That's clearly abnormal!
Synonyms	Abnormal, Deviant
Antonyms	Normal, Typical

Aberration

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Noun

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Meaning A departure from what is normal

Example Sentence "The sudden heatwave in winter was an aberration."

Mnemonic A bear at a railway station? Odd!

Synonyms Anomaly, Irregularity

Antonyms Regularity, Norm

Abet

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Verb

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Meaning To encourage or assist in wrongdoing

Example Sentence "He was arrested for abetting the criminal."

Mnemonic A buddy helps (abets) the burglar

Synonyms Assist, Encourage

Antonyms Hinder, Deter